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SUBJ: GARRISON DIVERSION PROJECT: PRESS REPORTS SCALED-
DOWN VERSION FAVORED BY U.S. DEPT. OF INTERIOR

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS FROM NORTH DAKOTA, U.S.
INTERIOR DEPT. FAVORS A SCALED-DOWN GARRISON DIVERSION PROJECT.
BUT, JAN. 9 WINNIPEG FREE PRESS REPORTS THAT SOME RETURN
FLOWS WILL STILL END UP IN MANITOBA, ALTHOUGH THIS WATER
WOULD BE SAND-FILTERED TO "SATISFY FEARS OF ENVIRONMENTAL
DAMAGE TO PROVINCIAL WATERS."

2. STORY HAS IT THAT ON FEB. 1 INTERIOR DEPT WILL PROBABLY
ASK CONGRESS TO APPROVE PROJECT TO IRRIGATE 96,300 ACRES
--NEARLY A TWO-THIRDS REDUCTION FROM ORIGINAL FULL PLAN TO
IRRIGATE CIRCA 250,000 ACRES. HOWEVER, 21,000 ACRES OF
SCALED-DOWN PROJECT WOULD DRAIN INTO MANITOBA VIA RED
RIVER ALTHOUGH THESE RETURN FLOWS WOULD BE SAND-FILTERED,
A MEASURE WHICH "WOULD ELIMINATE MANY ENVIRONMENTAL FEARS",
ACCORDING TO RICHARD MADSON OF AUDOBON SOCIETY WHICH HAS
OPPOSED PROJECT IN COURTS.

3. COMMENT: STORY RECEIVED WIDE COVERAGE IN MANITOBA
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ELECTRONIC AND PRINT MEDIA, BUT SO FAR WE HAVE NO REACTION
OF MANITOBA OFFICERS. WE SUSPECT CANADIAN OPPONENTS OF
GARRISON WILL BE PLEASED WITH IDEA OF REDUCTION, BUT
STILL OPPOSED TO ANY RETURN FLOWS (EVEN THOSE THAT ARE
SAND-FILTERED) TO MANITOBA, ALSO, AS WE UNDERSTAND IT,
FATE OF LONETREE RESERVOIR REMAINS UNRESOLVED WHICH WILL
BE UNSETTLING TO VIGILANT CANADIANS.

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